

FW-mini Omnidirectional Drive-by-wire Chassis

User manual V1.1.0





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Foreword

- (1) Thank you for purchasing our product, this user manual is applicable to FW-mini Omnidirectional Drive-by-wire Chassis (hereby referred to as "FW-mini").
- (2) Before use, please carefully read this user manual and attentions, and correctly use strictly in accordance with this manual.
- (3) For the loses caused by serious violation of this user manual, we undertake no responsibilities.
 - (4) Please well keep this manual for user reference during your operation.
- (5) Professionals are required for commissioning, connection and installation of the chassis equipment to avoid irretrievable loses.
- (6) DO NOT install, remove or replace equipment lines with electricity. If it is necessary to commission this product with electricity, please select the special commissioning tools with good insulation.
- (7) Please use this product under the conditions allowed by laws and regulations, so that the public property or life safety will not be affected.
- (8) We will irregularly update this product, the contents of update will be added into the new manual without notification.
- (9) This manual may contain the contents which are not correct in technology or which do not comply with the operation. In case of problems which cannot be solved during use of this manual, please contact with the customer service or technical department of us.
- (10) As for the contents of this manual, we will try our best to ensure that they are correct and accurate. In case of any improper or incorrect contents, please contact us for confirmation, thank you!



Safety Information

The information herein does not include how to design, install or operate a complete robot, nor the peripheral equipment which may affect the safety of this complete system. The design and use of the complete system comply with the safety requirements formulated in the national standards and specifications. The integrators and end customers of FW-mini are responsible for being sure to comply with practical laws and regulations of relevant countries to ensure that the application of the complete robot will not cause any major danger. These include but are not limited to the following:

■ Effectiveness and responsibilities:

- A risk evaluation shall be conducted to the complete robot system. All the additional safety equipment of other machineries defined by risk evaluation shall be connected. It shall be ensured that, the design and installation of the peripheral equipment of the whole robot system, including software and hardware system, are correct.
- This robot is not equipped with relevant safety functions that a complete autonomously moveable robot shall have, including but not limited to automatic collision avoidance, fall prevention and alarm for creature approaching, etc. For relevant functions, the integrators and end customers are required to conduct safety evaluation in accordance with relevant regulations and feasible laws and regulations to ensure that the developed robot has no any major danger or potential safety hazard during actual application.
- Collecting all the documents of technical files: Including risk evaluation and this manual. Before operation and use of equipment, the existing safety risks may be known.

Environments:

- For first use, please carefully read this manual to understand the basic contents and operation specifications.
- For remote operation, please select the areas which are relevantly open. This chassis is not equipped with any sensor for automatic obstacle avoidance.
- This chassis shall be used under the temperature of -20°C~50°C.
- The chassis is not customized for IP protection grade, the IP protection grade of this chassis



is IP55.

Inspection:

- Inspecting whether the battery of chassis is fully charged.
- Ensuring that the chassis has no abnormality.
- Inspecting whether the battery of remote controller is fully charged.

■ Operation:

- When using the remote control for debugging, please make sure the remote control is turned on and the vehicle can receive the remote control commands.
- Ensuring that operation is conducted in a relatively open place. And remote control shall be conducted with sight distance.
- FW-mini The maximum load is 30KG, during use, it shall be ensured that the effective load does not exceed 30KG.
- When the device reports low battery, please charge it in time. When the device malfunctions, please stop using it immediately to avoid secondary injuries.
- When the device malfunctions, please contact the relevant technical personnel and do not handle it without authorization.
- Please use the equipment in the environment which meets the IP protection grade requirements of the equipment.
- When charging, please ensure that the environment temperature is above 0°C.

■ Maintenance:

- If the tire wear is severe, please replace it in time.
- If the battery is not used for a long time, it needs to be periodically charged every month when it is fully charged.
- The battery needs to be charged at least once a month.



Introduction

FW-mini is an omnidirectional drive-by-wire robotics chassis. It adopts swerve steering motor drive structure, which is a four-wheel independent drive and independent steering to realize precise and flexible control of chassis. FW-mini has an excellent traveling ability and off-road performance. With multiple moving modes, it can be used in indoor and outdoor applications. Meanwhile it combining the advantages of Ackermann steering and differential drive form. Compared with these drive form, the wearing of tire is lighter, the noise of driving is lower and vehicle operating more stable. By the modules and navigation systems of LiDAR, GPS and manipulator, etc., this chassis is widely used in inspection, patrol, detection, transportation, logistics, scientific research and various new applications and explorations requiring for mobile chassis.

2.1. **Product list**

After delivery, please carefully confirm the product list:



Charger (36V) *1

Chassis *1



Remote controller *1



Product manual *1





2.2. Performance parameters

Table 2 - 1 FW-mini performance parameter table

Parameter type	Performance	Parameter				
	Dimensions(W*D*L)	495*360*320mm				
	Weight	32kg				
	Drive	Swerve Steering Motor Drive				
	Suspension	Independent suspension				
Structural size and weight	Material	Aluminium Alloy				
weight	Ground clearance	Suspension 55mm/Chassis 170mm				
	Wheelbase	350mm				
	Wheel track	250mm				
	Tire type/diameter	140mm				
	Driving motor	100W*4 wheel hub motor				
	Battery type	24V/20AH lithium battery/BMS management system				
	Charging time	4-5h				
Basic configuration	Charging method	24V/5A manual charger				
	External power supply	12V/15A-24V/10A				
	Braking mode	Motor brake				
	Parking method	Motor parking				
	Emergency stop button	$\sqrt{}$				
	Command check	$\sqrt{}$				
Safety measures	Heartbeat protection	$\sqrt{}$				
	Current protection	$\sqrt{}$				
	Temperature protection	$\sqrt{}$				
	Dominant frequency	168MHz				
	Hardware floating point acceleration	$\sqrt{}$				
VCU configuration	Kinematic analysis	$\sqrt{}$				
	Communication interface	CAN interface				
	Communication protocol	CAN 2.0B				
	Remote control distance	100m				
	Vertical load (level road)	30kg				
	Speed	0-3.6km/h				
	Mileage	30km (without load)				
	Minimum turning radius	0m				
Performance parameters	Wading depth	50mm				
Parameters	Maximum climbing angle	15° (full load)				
	Crossing width	100mm (full load)				
	Obstacle surmounting height	40mm (full load)				
	Protection level	IP55				
	Operating temperature	-20°C~50°C				



Product Presentation 3.

This section provides a basic introduction to the FW-mini mobile robot chassis, aiming to give users and developers a fundamental understanding of the FW-mini chassis. The FW-mini chassis adopts a modular and automotive-grade design approach, featuring independent omni-directional steering, allowing all four wheels to achieve 360° rotation in place. It supports lateral movement, Ackermann steering mode, diagonal movement mode, and pivot turning mode, providing agile maneuverability. The tires are durable and resistant to wear, enabling precise control over the chassis steering. With four independent wheel drives, the FW-mini chassis delivers powerful and ample power, excelling in climbing performance and minimizing slippage. It adapts well to various road conditions and utilizes the standard CAN communication protocol, offering multiple application modules and universal standard interfaces. This allows users to quickly integrate camera gimbals, robotic arms, infrared modules, and other components, facilitating rapid development and customization.

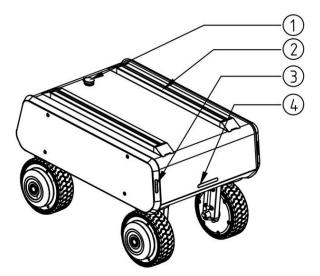


Figure 3 - 1 Front overall figure

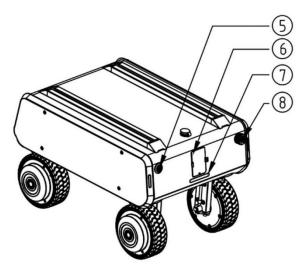




Figure 3 - 2 Tail overall figure

Note: ①power supply/communication interface; ②aluminium profile; ③turn signal lights; ④head light; ⑤start up button; ⑥charging quick detach board; ⑦brake light; ⑧emergency stop button;

Instructions of electrical interface

3.1.1. Instructions of top electrical board

There is an electrical board located at the top of the chassis. Among them, 1 and 2 are the positive and negative poles of the 12V guest power supply respectively; 3 and 4 are the positive and negative poles of the 24V guest power supply respectively; 5 and 6 are CAN-H and CAN-L of the communication bus, respectively.

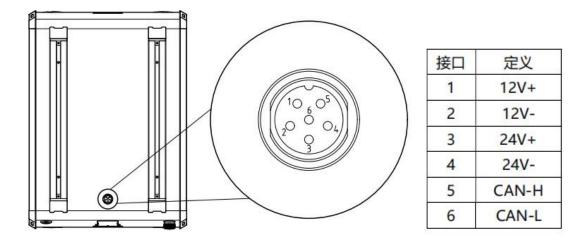
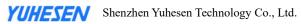


Figure 3 -3 Top electrical board



3.1.2. Instructions of tail electrical board

There is an electrical board located at the tail. The operation requires opening the cover of the tail electrical board. Once the electrical board cover is opened, it will appear as shown in Figure 3-4. In the diagram, B1 is the network debugging port and B2 is the manual charging port.

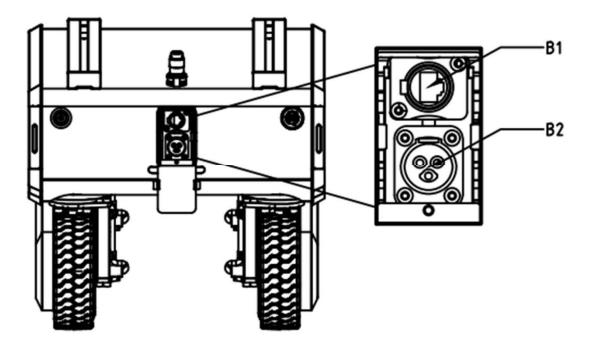


Figure 3 -4 Tail electrical board



3.2. **Instructions of FW-mini remote control**

3.2.1. FS-i6S remote control operation

Each FW-mini is equipped with an FS-i6S remote controller, allowing users to easily control the FW-mini. In this product, the remote controller is designed with left-hand control for left and right directions and right-hand control for forward and backward throttle. The definitions and functions can be referred to in Figure 3-4.

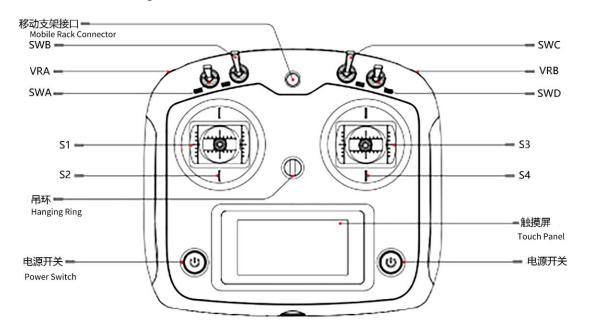
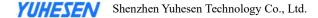


Figure 3-5 Schematic diagram of FS-i6S remote controller keys

The parameters of the remote controller have been configured before delivery. DO NOT modify the system configuration of the remote controller without permission, or, the robot may be out of control and in controlling chaos, etc. In case of any question, please contact the customer services or after-sales personnel for answering:

- (1) SWA is the control mode switch lever, with two positions. Taking the remote control facing up as an example: when the SWA lever is in the upper position, it is in the remote control mode, and when the SWA lever is in the lower position, it is in the command control mode.
- (2) The SWB is the gear shift lever with three positions. When the lever is moved up, it switches to the parking gear, causing the chassis wheels to enter the parking state, preventing the chassis from moving. When the lever is in the middle position, it switches to the four-wheel drive mode (4T4D), operating in a dual Ackermann steering mode. When the lever is moved down, it switches to the lateral movement gear, where the chassis steering mode allows for lateral movement.



- (3) The SWC is the speed switch lever with three positions. When the lever is moved up, it activates the low-speed mode. When the lever is moved down, it activates the high-speed mode. When the lever is in the middle position, it activates the medium-speed mode.
- (4) The VRA (Vehicle Release Actuator) is the safety parking unlock dial used to release the safety parking feature. When the collision sensor detects a collision, it triggers the safety parking function. To release the safety parking, you need to turn the VRA dial once (or move the right joystick S4 in the opposite direction of the collision). This action will unlock the safety parking and allow you to continue operating the vehicle.
- (5) The VRB is the operational protection dial. When operating the joystick, you need to simultaneously hold down the VRB dial. If you don't hold down the VRB dial, the chassis will not receive any motion commands from the joystick. This serves as a safety measure to prevent unintentional or unauthorized control of the vehicle.
- (6) The left joystick is the direction control joystick. Joystick S1 controls the left and right steering of the chassis through its left and right movements. Joystick S2, when moved up or down, does not affect the chassis movement and is not currently in use. Its up and down movements have no impact on the chassis motion.
- (7) The right joystick is the throttle control joystick. Joystick S4 controls the forward and backward movement of the chassis through its front and back movements. Joystick S3, when moved left or right, is not currently in use and does not affect the chassis movement. Its left and right movements have no impact on the chassis motion.
- (8) There are power buttons on the left and right sides. By simultaneously long-pressing both power buttons, you can perform the power on/off operation.
- (9) The standby interface is explained as follows:

The start page is divided into four sections. The top left section displays two timers, T1 and T2. The bottom left section indicates the flight mode. The top right section shows the battery level, with TX representing the remote controller battery and RX representing the robot's battery. The bottom right section includes the unlock button and fine-tuning buttons.

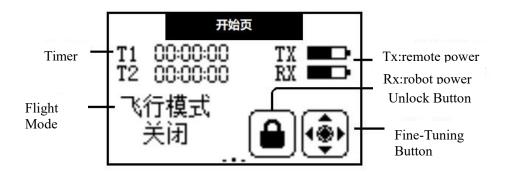


Figure 3-6 Remote controller monitor display interface

The left side of the remote controller's start page is the channel interface, as shown in the figure 3-6:

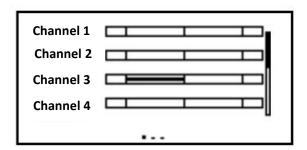


Figure 3-7 remote controller channel interface

The corresponding relationships between each channel and the remote controller operating components are as table 3-1:

Table 3-1 The corresponding relationships between channel and remote controller

Channel No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Remote controller parts	S3	S2	S4	S1	VRA	VRB	SWA	SWB	SWC	SWD

The right side of the remote controller's start page is the sensor list page, which includes the following information:

TX.V: Remote Controller Battery Voltage

Int.V: Receiver Voltage

Sig.S: Signal Strength (Normal signal strength is 10)

Ext.V: Robot Chassis Voltage (Note: the unit is V, in reality it's %. For example, in the figure, 66.00v means 66% of battery remaining.)

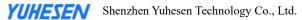


Name	NO.	Value
TX. V	0	5.20V
Int. V	0	4.99V
Sig. S	0	10
Ext. V	1	66.00V

Figure 3-8 The sensor list page of remote controller

The control authority regarding the remote controller and communication commands is as follows:

- (1) In scenarios where no remote controller is present: upon startup, the FW-mini mobile robot chassis will receive communication commands and execute them accordingly. It will rely solely on these instructions for its operation.
- (2) In scenarios where both the remote controller and communication commands are present: the remote controller takes priority in controlling the FW-mini mobile robot chassis. It will control the device based on the mode set by the SWA switch on the remote controller. The control authority can be easily obtained by using the SWA switch.
- (3) When only the remote controller is present: the control of the FW-mini mobile robot chassis is determined by the remote controller's mode, which is controlled by the remote controller itself.



3.2.2. Remote control buzzer warning instructions

Table 3-2 Instructions of remote controller alarm condition

Switch position alarm	When the remote control is turned on and the lever switches SWA/SWB/SWC/SWD are not in their default positions, an alarm interface will appear, prompting the user to move all the switches to the upward position. Once all the switches are in their default positions, the main interface will appear normally.
Low voltage alarm	When the voltage drops below the alarm voltage, the system will emit an alarm, and the remote control screen will start flashing. If the voltage of the remote control is too low, the TX icon will flash, and if the voltage of the chassis is too low, the RX icon will flash.
Communication abnormal alarm	When the distance between the remote control and the chassis is too far or there is obstruction interference in the environment, the strength of the remote control signal will decrease. If the signal strength drops below 5, it will trigger a communication abnormal alarm, reminding the user that the remote control signal strength is weak.
Remote control unused alarm	When the remote control is unused for a long time, the remote control buzzer will emit intermittent alarms.
Power off alarm	When the remote control is turned off, it will check whether the chassis is also turned off. If the chassis is not turned off, a warning interface will pop up, and the chassis power must be turned off before the remote control can be turned off. (If it is necessary to force the remote control to shut down while the chassis is still on, the battery must be removed.).

3.2.3. Instructions of control commands and movement

We will establish a coordinate reference system for ground moving vehicles according to the ISO 8855 standard, as shown in Figure 3-9.

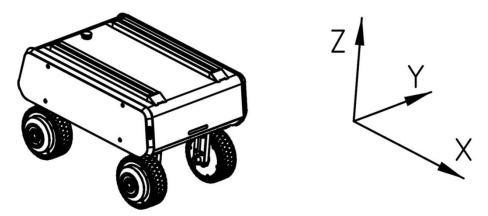


Figure 3-9 Body Coordinate System

As shown in Figure 3-9, the FW-mini chassis is parallel to the X-axis of the established reference coordinate system.

In the remote controller control mode, while holding down the VRB (Vehicle Release Actuator) for operational protection, pushing the right-hand throttle joystick S4 forward on the remote controller will move the chassis in the positive X-direction. Pulling it backward will move the chassis in the negative X-direction. When the S4 joystick is pushed to its maximum value, the speed of movement in the X-direction is the highest. When pushed to its minimum value, the speed of movement in the negative X-direction is the highest.

The left-hand direction joystick S1 on the remote controller is used to control the steering movement of the chassis. When the SWB (Shift-Wheel Button) lever is in the four-wheel drive mode (4T4D), pushing the S1 joystick to the left will make the chassis turn left. Pushing it to the maximum left position will result in the highest left turning angular velocity. Likewise, pushing the S1 joystick to the right will make the chassis turn right, and pushing it to the maximum right position will result in the highest right turning angular velocity.



Use and Operation 4.

This part mainly introduces the basic operation and use of FW-mini platform, and how to

conduct secondary development to the vehicle body through CAN bus protocol.

4.1. Use and Operation

4.1.1. The basic operations flow of remote operation are as follows:

Inspection

- (1) Check the status of the vehicle body. Check that whether the vehicle body has obvious abnormality; If any, please contact after-sales support;
- (2) Check the status of the emergency stop button, and confirm that the emergency stop button at the tail is under the released state;
 - (3) Check that all gears of the remote controller are in default position;

Start-up

- (1) Press Power Button;
- (2) Check the battery level, if it is too low, please charge it first.

Shutdown operation

Press the start button (main power switch button) again and release the switch to turn off the power;

Emergency stop

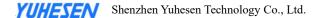
Beat the emergency stop knob on the rear of the FW-mini body; turn it clockwise again to release the emergency stop knob.

4.2. Charging

FW-mini mobile robot is equipped with a 24V/5A charger in default, meeting the demands of charging of the users.

The specific operation processes of charging are as follows:

(1) Before charging, make sure that the FW-mini is powered off and that the main power switch is off.



- (2) First, insert the output plug of the charger into the charging interface on the electrical board at the tail; Then, plug the AC plug of the charger into the 220VAC socket.. When the indicator light is red, it enters the charging state, and when the indicator light is green, the charging is completed..
- (3) Reverse the process after charging is completed. Unplugging the AC plug first, then the output plug.
 - (4) The charger protection status description is shown in Table 4-1:

Table 4 - 1 charger protection status description

Protective Function	Functional Description
Overheating Protection	When the internal temperature of the charger reaches the over-temperature protection point, the charger will automatically stop charging.
Output Short Circuit Protection	The charger will automatically shut off the output when the charger output is accidentally short-circuited.
Output Reverse Connection Protection	When the battery is reversed, the charger cuts off the connection between the internal circuit and the battery.
Output Over-Voltage Protection	The charger automatically shuts off the output when over-voltage occurs at the charger output.

ATTENTION:

The charging process must be operated in order to prevent the charger and socket from being electrified and the battery charging port from short-circuiting, resulting in damage to the robot's battery, charger, or unnecessary personal injury.

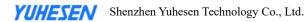
4.3. CAN Wire Connection

FW-mini chassis provides CAN communication protocol to users for development, and users can conduct command control to the vehicle body with CAN interface.

4.4. CAN Interface Protocol

The communication of FW-mini chassis is conducted by CAN2.0B extended frame, and the message format is Intel format with a baud rate of 500K. Through the external CAN bus interface, the vehicle speed, steering angle and steering angular speed of the chassis can be controlled. The FW-mini will feed back the current movement state information and the system state information of the chassis in real time.

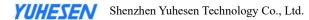
The specific protocol contents are shown as below:



The motion command control frame includes gear control, linear speed control, steering angle control, steering angular speed control, light control, parking request and inspection, etc. The specific protocol contents are shown in Table 4-3.

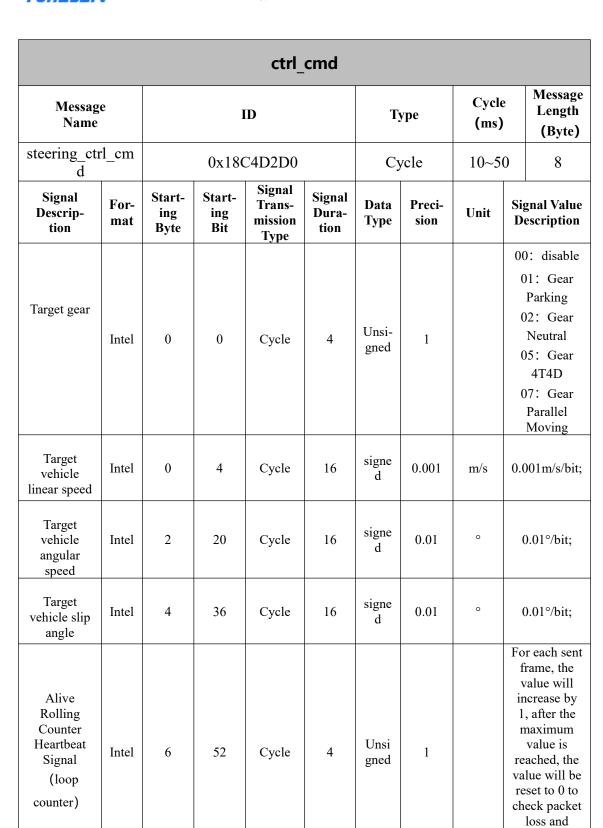
Table 4-3 Command Control Frame and System Feedback Frame

	Table 4-3 Command Control Frame and System Feedback Frame												
				ctrl_	cmd								
	Message Name			ID		Туре	Cycle (ms)		Message Length (Byte)				
ct	ctrl_cmd			x18C4D1E	00	Cycle	10~	50	8				
Signal Descrip- tion	For- mat	Start- ing Byte	Start- ing Bit	Signal Trans- mission Type	Signal Dura- tion	Data Type	Preci- sion	Unit	Signal Value Description				
Target gear	Intel	0	0	Cycle	4	Unsign ed	1		00: disable 01: Gear Parking 02: Gear Neutral 06: Gear 4T4D 07: Gear Parallel Moving				
Target vehicle linear speed	Intel	0	4	Cycle	16	signed	0.001	m/s	0.001m/s/bit ;				
Target vehicle angular speed	Intel	2	20	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	°/s	(0.01°/s)/bit				
Target vehicle slip angle	Intel	4	36	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	0	0.01°/bit;				
Alive Rolling Counter Heartbeat Signal (loop counter)	Intel	6	52	Cycle	4	Unsign ed	1		For each sent frame, the value will increase by 1, after the maximum value is reached, the value will be reset to 0 to check				



								packet loss and disconnec- tion.
Check BCC XOR checkout for message	Intel	7	56	Cycle	8	Unsign ed	1	Checksum = Byte0 XOR Byte1 XOR Byte2 XOR Byte3 XOR Byte4 XOR Byte5 XOR Byte6

disconnection.

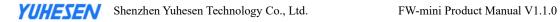




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								Byte0	XOR
Check BCC								Byte1	XOR
XOR	Intel	7	56	Cycle	8	Unsi	1	Byte2	XOR
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message								Byte4	XOR
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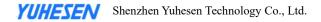
	I/O_cmd													
Messag Name)	I D			T	ype	Cycle (ms)		Messag e Length (Byte)		
io_cm	d			0x18C	4D7D	00		IfA	IfActive			8		
Signal Descrip- tion	For - mat	i	Start- ing Byte		Signa Tran missio Typ	on	Signa l Dura- tion	Data Type			De	Signal Value escription		
Lamp control	Intel	0	0	IfAc -tive	1	Uı	nsigned	1		0 = automatic control according to status 1 = free control				
Unlock	Intel	0	1	IfAc -tive	1	Uı	nsigned	1		Unlock edge (sending	0 = invalid Unlocking of falling edge (falling edge: sending 0 after sending 1 command for 20ms)			
Headlight switch	Intel	1	8	IfAc -tive	1	Uı	nsigned	1			0 = 0 $1 = 0$	I		
Steering lamp switch	Intel	1	10	IfAc -tive	2	Uı	nsigned	1		1 = 1 1 2 =rig 1 3 =le	amp ght s amp aft ar	teering on steering		
Braking lamp switch	Intel	1	12	IfAc -tive	1	Uı	nsigned	1		1	0 = 0 $1 = 0$			
Alive Rolling Counter Heartbeat Signal(loop counter)	Intel	6	52	Cy- cle	4	Uı	nsigned	1		the ithe ithe by I maxin r the verset t	valuncre I, affinum each alue to 0 pack	ter the value is led, will be to check		



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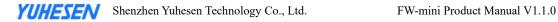


	ctrl_fb												
Mess	Message Name			Msg ID	•	Туре	Cycle (ms	Message Length (Byte)					
C	ctrl_fb			x18C4D1	1EF	Cycle	10		8				
Signal Descrip -tion	For- mat	Start - ing Byte	Start - ing Bit	Signal Trans- missio n Type	Signal Dura- tion	Data Type	Precision	Unit	Signal Value Description				
Current gear feedbac k	Intel	0	0	Cycle	4	Unsigned	1		00: disable 01: Gear Parking 02: Gear Neutral 06: Gear 4T4D 07: Gear Parallel Moving				
Current linear speed feedbac k	Intel	0	4	Cycle	16	signed	0.001	m/s	0.001m/s/bit;				
Current angular speed feedbac k	Intel	2	20	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	°/s	(0.01°/s)/bit;				
Current slip angle feedbac k	Intel	4	36	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	0	0.01°/bit;				
Alive Rolling Counte r Heartbe at(loop counter)	Intel	6	52	Cycle	4	Unsigned	1		For each sent frame, the value will increase by 1, after the maximum value is reached, the value will be reset to 0 to check packet loss and disconnec -tion.				

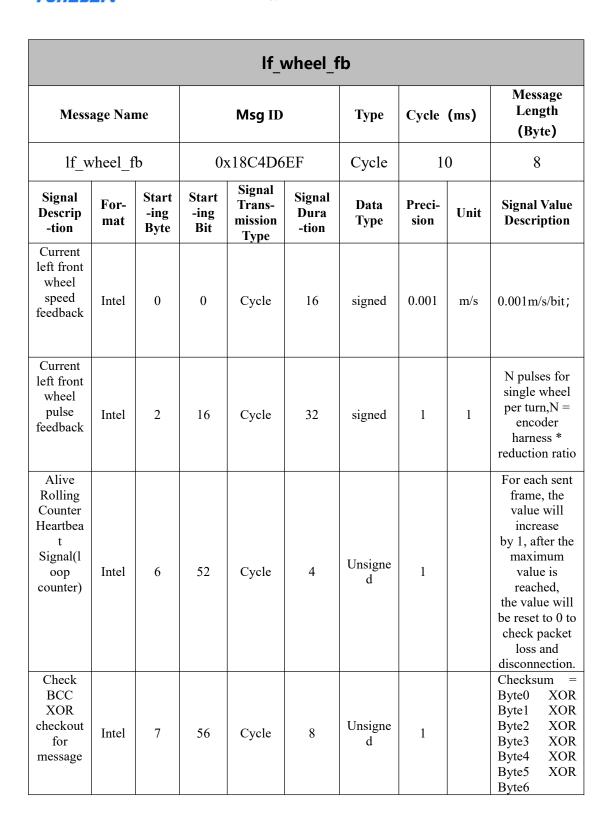


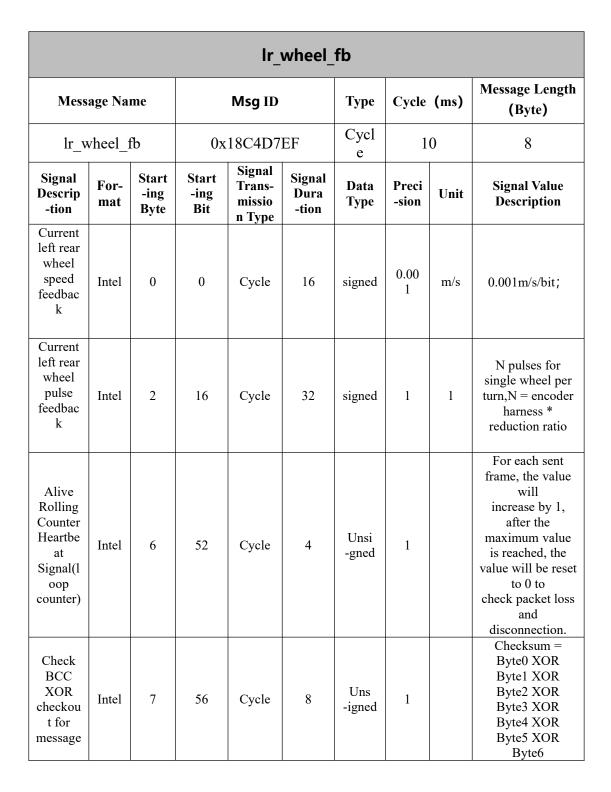
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BCC								Byte0	XOR
XOR								Byte1	XOR
checko	Intel	7	56	Cycle	8	Unsigned	1	Byte2	XOR
ut for	IIIICI	/	30	Cycle	0	Unsigned	1	Byte3	XOR
messag								Byte4	XOR
e								Byte5	XOR
								Byte6	

				steerin	g_ctrl_f	fb				
Mess	Message Name		Ms	sg ID	Туре	Cycle	(ms)	Message Length (Byte)		
steeri	ng_ctr	1_fb	0x180	C4D2EF	Cycle	1	0		8	
Signal Descrip -tion	For - mat	Start- ing Byte	Start -ing Bit	Signal Trans- mission Type	Signal Dura -tion	Data Type	Preci -sion	Unit	Signal Value Description	
Current gear feedback	Intel	0	0	Cycle	4	Unsi- gned	1		00: disable 01: Gear Parking 02: Gear Neutral 05: Gear 4T4D 07: Gear Parallel Moving	
Current speed feedback	Intel	0	4	Cycle	16	signed	0.001	m/s	0.001m/s/bit;	
Current steering angle feedback	Intel	2	20	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	°/s	(0.01°/s)/bit;	
Current slip angle feedback	Intel	4	36	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	0	0.01°/bit;	
Alive Rolling Counter Heartbea t Signal(lo op counter)	Intel	6	52	Cycle	4	Unsig ned	1		For each sent frame, the value will increase by 1, after the maximum value is reached, the value will be reset to 0 to check packet loss and disconnection	



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checkout	inter	/	56	Cycle	8	ned	1	Byte3	XOR
for								Byte4	XOR
message								Byte5	XOR
								Byte6	





	rr_wheel_fb												
Messa	Message Name		Msg ID			Туре	Cycle (ms)		Message Length (Byte)				
rr_w	heel_f	b	02	k18C4D8	BEF	Cycle	1	0	8				
Signal Descrip -tion	For- mat	Start -ing Byte	Start -ing Bit	Signal Trans- missio n Type	Signal Dura -tion	Data Type	Preci -sion	Unit	Signal Value Description				
Current right rear wheel speed feedback	Intel	0	0	Cycle	16	signed	0.00	m/s	0.001m/s/bit;				
Current right rear wheel pulse feedback	Intel	2	16	Cycle	32	signed	1	1	N pulses for single wheel per turn,N = encoder harness * reduction ratio				
Alive Rolling Counter Heartbea t Signal(lo op counter)	Intel	6	52	Cycle	4	Unsig ned	1		For each sent frame, the value will increase by 1, after the maximum value is reached, the value will be reset to 0 to check packet loss and disconnection.				
Check BCC XOR checkout for message	Intel	7	56	Cycle	8	Unsig ned	1		Checksum = Byte0 XOR Byte1 XOR Byte2 XOR Byte3 XOR Byte4 XOR Byte5 XOR Byte6				



	rf_wheel_fb											
Mess	age Na	me		Msg ID		Туре	Cycle (ms)		Message Length (Byte)			
rf_v	wheel_	fb	02	18C4D9	PEF	Cycle	1	0	8			
Signal Descrip -tion	For- mat	Start -ing Byte	Start -ing Bit	Signal Trans- missio n Type	Signal Dura -tion	Data Type	Preci -sion	Unit	Signal Value Description			
Current right front wheel speed feedbac k	Intel	0	0	Cycle	16	signed	0.00	m/s	0.001m/s/bit;			
Current right front wheel pulse feedbac k	Intel	2	16	Cycle	32	signed	1	1	N pulses for single wheel per turn,N = encoder harness * reduction ratio			
Alive Rolling Counte r Heartbe at Signal(l oop counter)	Intel	6	52	Cycle	4	Unsign ed	1		For each sent frame, the value will increase by 1, after the maximum value is reached, the value will be reset to 0 to check packet loss and disconnection.			
Check BCC XOR checko ut for messag e	Intel	7	56	Cycle	8	Unsign ed	1		Checksum = Byte0 XOR Byte1 XOR Byte2 XOR Byte3 XOR Byte4 XOR Byte5 XOR Byte6			

	front_angle_fb											
Messa	Message Name			Msg ID		Туре	Cycle (ms)		Message Length (Byte)			
front_	angle	fb	02	x18C4DC	CEF	Cycle	1	0	8			
Signal Descrip -tion	For - mat	Start -ing Byte	Start -ing Bit	Signal Trans- mission Type	Signal Dura -tion	Data Type	Preci -sion	Unit	Signal Value Description			
Front left servo joint angle feedback	Inte 1	0	0	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	o	0.01°/bit;			
Front right servo joint angle feedback	Inte 1	2	16	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	0	0.01°/bit;			
Alive Rolling Counter Heartbea t Signal(lo op counter)	Inte 1	6	52	Cycle	4	Unsign ed	1		For each sent frame, the value will increase by 1, after the maximum value is reached, the value will be reset to 0 to check packet loss and disconnection.			
Check BCC XOR checkout for message	Inte 1	7	56	Cycle	8	Unsign ed	1		Checksum = Byte0 XOR Bye3 XOR te1 XOR Byte2 XOR BytByte4 XOR Byte5 XOR Byte6			

	rear_angle_fb											
Messa	Message Name			Msg ID			Cycle (ms)		Message Length (Byte)			
rear_a	ingle_	fb	0x	18C4DI	DEF	Cycle	1	0	8			
Signal Descrip -tion	For - mat	Start -ing Byte	Start -ing Bit	Signal Trans- missio n Type	Signal Dura -tion	Data Type	Preci -sion	Unit	Signal Value Description			
Rear left servo joint angle feedback	Inte 1	0	0	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	0	0.01°/bit;			
Rear right servo joint angle feedback	Inte 1	2	16	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	0	0.01°/bit;			
Alive Rolling Counter Heartbeat Signal(loo p counter)	Inte 1	6	52	Cycle	4	Unsig ned	1		For each sent frame, the value will increase by 1, after the maximum value is reached, the value will be reset to 0 to check packet loss and disconnection.			
Check BCC XOR checkout for message	Inte 1	7	56	Cycle	8	Unsig ned	1		Checksum = Byte0 XOR Byte1 XOR Byte2 XOR Byte3 XOR Byte4 XOR Byte5 XOR Byte6			



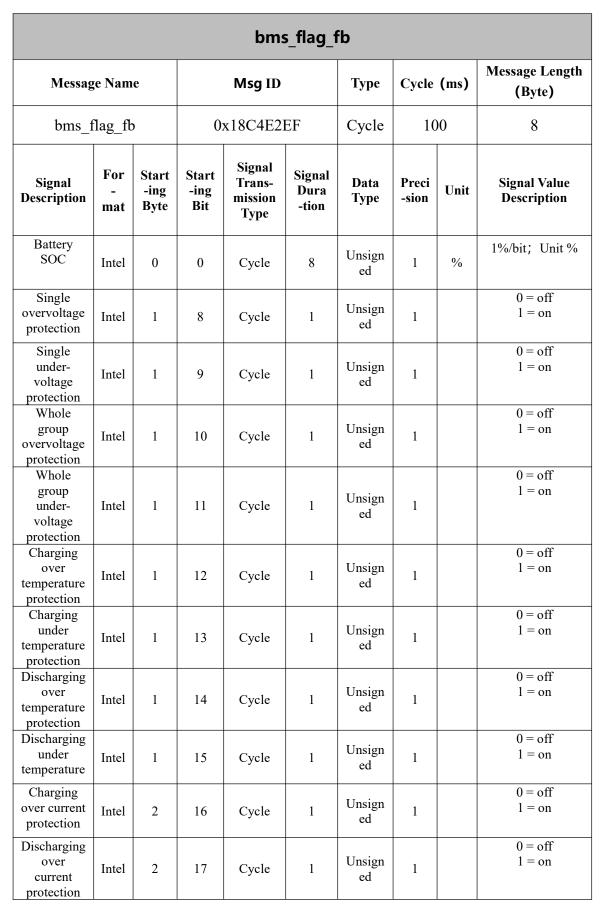
	io_fb												
Mess	age Nar	ne		Msg ID		Туре	Cycle (ms)		Message Length (Byte)				
i	o_fb		02	x18C4D <i>A</i>	EF	Cycle	50		8				
Signal Descrip -tion	For- mat	Start -ing Byte	Start -ing Bit	Signal Trans- mission Type	Signal Dura -tion	Data Type	Preci -sion	Unit	Signal Value Description				
Light control status feedback	Intel	0	0	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = automatic control according to status 1 = free control				
Unlock status feedback	Intel	0	1	IfActiv e	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = invalid 1 = Unlock succeeded (only prompt once)				
Headligh t power on/off status feedback	Intel	1	8	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = off 1 = on				
Steering lamp power on/off status feedback	Intel	1	10	Cycle	2	Unsign ed	1		0 = off 1 = left steering lamp on 2 = right steering lamp on 3 = left and right steering lamp on				
Braking lamp power on/off status feedback	Intel	1	12	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = off 1 = on				
Emergen cy stop status feedback	Intel	5	40	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = off 1 = on				
Remote controlle r status feedback	Intel	5	41	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = command control status 1 = remote controller control status				
Charging station status feedback	Intel	5	42	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = non charging station connect 1 = charging station connect				



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Manual Charger Signal Feedback	Intel	5	43	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1	0= non manual charger station 1= manual charger connect
Alive Rolling Counter Heartbea t Signal(lo op counter)	Intel	6	52	Cycle	4	Unsign ed	1	For each sent frame, the value will increase by 1, after the maximum value is reached, the value will be reset to 0 to check packet loss and disconnection.
Check BCC XOR checkout for message	Intel	7	56	Cycle	8	Unsign ed	1	Checksum = Byte0 XOR Byte1 XOR Byte2 XOR Byte3 XOR Byte4 XOR Byte5 XOR Byte6

				ı	bms_fb				
Mess	sage Na	me		Msg ID		Туре	Cycle	(ms)	Message Length (Byte)
b	ms_fb		0	x18C4E1	EF	Cycle	10	00	8
Signal Descrip -tion	For- mat	Start -ing Byte	Start -ing Bit	Signal Trans- mission Type	Signal Dura -tion	Data Type	Preci -sion	Unit	Signal Value Description
Battery voltage	Intel	0	0	Cycle	16	Unsign ed	0.01	V	0.01V/bit;
Battery current	Intel	2	16	Cycle	16	signed	0.01	A	0.01A/bit;
Battery capacity	Intel	4	32	Cycle	16	Unsign ed	0.01	Ah	0.01Ah/bit;
Alive Rolling Counter Heartbe at Signal(1 oop counter)	Intel	6	52	Cycle	4	Unsign ed	1		For each sent frame, the value will increase by 1, after the maximum value is reached, the value will be reset to 0 to check packet loss and disconnection.
Check BCC XOR checkou t for message	Intel	7	56	Cycle	8	Unsign ed	1		Checksum = Byte0 XOR Byte1 XOR Byte2 XOR Byte3 XOR Byte4 XOR Byte5 XOR Byte6





Short circuit protection	Intel	2	18	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = off 1 = on
Fore-end IC error detection	Intel	2	19	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = off 1 = on
Software lock MOS	Intel	2	20	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = off 1 = on
Charging flag bit	Intel	2	21	Cycle	1	Unsign ed	1		0 = discharge 1 = charge
The highest temperature of battery	Intel	3	28	Cycle	12	signed	0.1	°C	0.1°C/bit;
The lowest temperature of battery	Intel	5	40	Cycle	12	signed	0.1	°C	0.1°C/bit;
Alive Rolling Counter Heartbeat Signal(loop counter)	Intel	6	52	Cycle	4	Unsign ed	1		For each sent frame, the value will increase by 1, after the maximum value is reached, the value will be reset to 0 to check packet loss and disconnection.
Check BCC XOR checkout for message	Intel	7	56	Cycle	8	Unsign ed	1		Checksum = Byte0 XOR Byte1 XOR Byte2 XOR Byte3 XOR Byte4 XOR Byte5 XOR Byte6



4.5. Explanations of the use of the CAN communication protocol

1. Notes during the test:

- 1.1 Note that the AliveCounter needs to be sent continuously and cyclically during the sending process.
 - 1.2 Send AliveCounter process, pay special attention to AliveCounter occupies 52 to 55 four bits.
- 1.3 BYTE [7] check bits for the first 7 Byte checksum: Checksum = Byte0 XOR Byte1 XOR Byte2 XOR Byte3 XOR Byte4 XOR Byte5 XOR Byte6.
- 1.4 The following routine is a simple control command when using USB CAN, please control the vehicle in accordance with the communication protocol to control the command.
- 1.5 During the test, please switch the remote control to the command control mode or choose to turn off the remote control.
- 1.6 Use the computer to connect the CAN card test process due to the possibility of testing the vehicle movement and other conditions, in the test process, please set up the vehicle, such as the vehicle test after the stability of the vehicle test with the procedures for testing when the vehicle is put down.
- 1.7 Due to the highest priority of the remote control during the landing test, it is advisable to turn on the remote control test, so that it is convenient to switch to the remote control mode at any time during the test.

2. Vehicle control command description ctrl cmd

Vehicle control commands need to send the corresponding command, heartbeat signal and checksum bit at the same time.

(1) Target gear request ctrl_cmd_gear

The ctrl_cmd_gear command signals the target gear, the physical value range is from 00 to 03, the default gear position is 00 that is, disable gear; the target gear is parked when given as 01; neutral when given as 02; and kinematics control gear when given as 03.

Example: when the target gear request is kinematics control gear -03 0x03

ID	D[0]	D[1]	D[2]	D[3]	D[4]	D[5]	D[6]	D[7]
0x18C4D1D0	0x03	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x10	0x13
0x18C4D1D0	0x03	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x20	0x23
0x18C4D1D0	0x03	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x30	0x33

Note: The above three frames of signals are cycled down at 10ms intervals, and the controllable gear

is switched to the kinematics control gear.

Feedback:

ID	D[0]	D[1]	D[2]	D[3]	D[4]	D[5]	D[6]	D[7]
0x18C4D1EF	0x03	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x03

Note: Checksums and Alivecounter cycle change

(2) Target vehicle speed request ctrl cmd liner

The ctrl_cmd_liner command is the target value of the line speed of the drive vehicle. The physical value of CAN communication ranges from -32.767 to 32.767m/s (the maximum speed of the vehicle is 4.5m/s for a 50-speed ratio and a 400mm wheel diameter), and the target line speed is determined by the accuracy of the vehicle speed (0.001m/s/bit). The target line speed of the driven vehicle = 0.001*bus signal. Vehicle forward and reverse is used in conjunction with the gear.

Vehicle speed feedback is categorized into three vehicle speed feedback methods, which are as follows:

- (1)Feedback of current vehicle speed: this vehicle speed feedback is always positive.
- (2) Feedback of the left and right wheel speed: the speed corresponding to the current left and right wheels respectively, the speed is positive when moving forward and negative when moving backward.
- (3) Feedback of pulse number of left and right wheels: the pulse number is added when moving forward and subtracted when moving backward.

Example: given 1m/s forward speed request, then the bus signal is equal to 1000 0x03E8

ID	D[0]	D[1]	D[2]	D[3]	D[4]	D[5]	D[6]	D[7]
0x18C4D1D0	0x83	0x3E	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0XBD
0x18C4D1D0	0x83	0x3E	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x10	0XAD
0x18C4D1D0	0x83	0x3E	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x20	0x9D

Note: The above three frames of signals are issued cyclically at an interval of 10ms, which can control the vehicle to move forward at a speed of 1m/s.

Feedback:

	ID	D[0]	D[1]	D[2]	D[3]	D[4]	D[5]	D[6]	D[7]
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0x18C4D2EF	0x18C4D2EF	0x83	0x3E	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0xBD
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Note: Due to the automatic adjustment of the running speed, the checksum and Alivecounter cyclic changes may not feedback an absolute 1m/s.

- 1.Left front wheel speed and left front wheel pulse feedback ID is: 0x18C4D6EF
- 2.Left rear wheel speed and left rear wheel pulse feedback ID is: 0x18C4D7EF
- 3. Right front wheel speed and right front wheel pulse feedback ID is: 0x18C4D8EF
- 4. Right rear wheel speed and right rear wheel pulse feedback ID is: 0x18C4D9EF

(3) Target angular velocity ctrl_cmd_angular

The ctrl_cmd_angular command is a target angular velocity request with a CAN communication physical range of (-327.68) degrees to (327.67) degrees, with positive left steering and negative right steering. The target angular velocity is determined by the precision (0.01°/s)/bit. Target angular velocity = bus signal * 0.01

Example: Given a target angular velocity of -25°/s the bus signal is equal to -2500 0XF63C

ID	D[0]	D[1]	D[2]	D[3]	D[4]	D[5]	D[6]	D[7]
0x18C4D1D0	0x03	0x00	0XC0	0x63	0x0F	0x00	0x00	0xAF
0x18C4D1D0	0x03	0x00	0XC0	0x63	0x0F	0x00	0x10	0xBF
0x18C4D1D0	0x03	0x00	0XC0	0x63	0x0F	0x00	0x20	0x8F

Note: The above three frames of signals are sent out cyclically at 10ms intervals, and the angular velocity can be requested to be -25° /s.

Feedback:

ID	D[0]	D[1]	D[2]	D[3]	D[4]	D[5]	D[6]	D[7]
0x18C4D1EF	0x03	0x00	0XC0	0x63	0x0F	0x00	0x00	0xAF

Note: Check sums and Alivecounter cycle changes.

3. Explanations of auxiliary control commands

Take the safe parking unlock switch as an example to illustrate, IO port enable control needs to send enable flag bit, heartbeat signal and check bit at the same time.



Example: io cmd unlock safety parking unlock switch 0x02

ID	D[0]	D[1]	D[2]	D[3]	D[4]	D[5]	D[6]	D[7]
0x18C4D7D0	0x02	0x00	0X00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x02
0x18C4D7D0	0x02	0x00	0X00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x10	0x12
0x18C4D7D0	0x00	0x00	0X00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x20	0x20
0x18C4D7D0	0x00	0x00	0X00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x30	0x30

Note: The above signals (falling edge) are sent down at 20ms intervals to request unlocking of the safety stop switch.

Feedback:

ID	D[0]	D[1]	D[2]	D[3]	D[4]	D[5]	D[6]	D[7]
0x18C4DAEF	0x02	0x00	0X00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x02

Note: Checksums and Alivecounter cycle changes.

5. Attention

This section contains some matters to be noted during use, storage and development of FW-mini.

5.1. Attentions for battery

- ▲ The battery of FW-mini products may not be fully charged when they are delivered. The specific situations can be read through FW-mini remote controller vehicle chassis battery status display or CAN bus communication interface. As for charging time, when the green indicator is on, indicating that the product has been fully charged;
- ▲ DO NOT charge the battery after it is exhausted, and please charge in time when the battery voltage is too low;
- ▲ The working temperature of the battery under discharging is -20°C~50°C, the battery can work normally within the specified temperature range, and the capacity loss is within the error range:
 - ▲ Excessive discharge of the battery is prohibited during use to avoid damage to the battery;
- Avoid excessive impact on the battery; the impact beyond the specification may damage the battery, which may lead to battery leakage, heat, smoke, fire or explosion;
 - ▲ In case of obvious battery abnormalities, please stop using the battery immediately!

5.2. Attentions for charging

- ▲ Charging can only be conducted by the charger matching with the battery. DO NOT use the non-original battery, power supply or charger;
- ▲ Charging can only be conducted under 0°C~45°C. Charging out of this temperature range will lead to battery leakage, heating or serious damage, which may lead to deterioration of battery performance and life;
- ▲ During charging, if the charger or battery is abnormal or damaged, please remove the charger input line and output line immediately;
- ▲ If charging cannot be completed within the specified time, please stop charging immediately. Or, the battery may heat, have smoke or get on fire (or explode);
 - ▲ It is not allowed charge the battery of the vehicle body in thunderstorm weather;
- ▲ It not allowed to charge the battery of the vehicle body in the place which is wet or with rain;
- ▲ It is not allowed to charge the battery of the vehicle body with high temperature, such as heat source or direct sunlight, etc;
 - ▲ Charging shall be conducted in the place which is ventilated and without dust;
- ▲ During charging, it is not allowed to block the air inlet and outlet of the charger, there shall be a space of 10cm at least;
- You should follow the charging process in the specified order to prevent the charging plug of the charger from being live when connecting and disconnecting it with the battery charging port. This will help avoid short circuits, potential damage to the robot's battery and charger, as well as any unnecessary personal injuries.

5.3. Attentions for usage environment

- ▲ The working temperature of FW-mini is -20°C~50°C, DO NOT use in the environment with the temperature of lower than -20°C or higher than 50°C;
 - \triangle The best storage temperature for FW-mini is 0°C~40°C;
 - ▲ DO NOT store or user in the environment with corrosive, inflammable and explosive gas;
 - ▲ During use and storage, please keep away from heat resources and fire resources;



The water-proof function of FW-mini is limited. DO NOT use FW-mini in the environment with deep ponding;

5.4. Attentions for remote operation

- When operating the chassis in remote control mode, it is necessary to hold down the VRB safety switch. Releasing the VRB will automatically stop the chassis and it will no longer respond to the controls of the left-hand direction and right-hand gas pedal rocker.
- ▲ The emergency stop switch is released; The throttle remote lever returns to zero, that is, the chassis speed is 0;
- When controlling the vehicle to move forward using the S4 joystick, if you need to perform a backward operation, you should first return the S4 joystick to the neutral position before engaging the reverse gear. It is prohibited to quickly move the joystick to the reverse position without returning it to neutral. The same principle applies to left and right turns. When changing directions, always return the joystick to neutral before changing.
- DO NOT turn off the power of the remote controller while the vehicle is in normal operation. If the battery of the remote controller runs out, the communication will be interrupted, and the protective program will activate, causing the chassis to stop moving after 3 seconds. Once the remote controller is powered on again, communication will be automatically restored, and normal operation can resume.

5.5. Attentions for external electrical extension

The top power supply current shall be the battery voltage and current strictly selected. Over-current is not allowed;

▲ When the system detects that the battery voltage is lower than the safe voltage, protection procedure will be started automatically. If the external extension equipment involves storage of important data, and there is not automatic storage function for powering off, please charge timely.

5.6. Other attentions

▲ During handling or setting, DO NOT fall or invert;



- In case of no professionals, DO NOT disassemble without permission;
- If the remote controller end will not be used for a long time, the battery shall be removed;
- The tires shall be replaced timely in accordance with the wearing conditions of the patterns on the wheel tread.
- When making a customs consignment, open the left side cover and close the main battery switch.

6. Common Q&A

Q: FW-mini starts normally, however, the vehicle body does not move under the control of the remote controller?

A: First, make sure that the emergency stop switch at the rear is released. Next, ensure that the SWA joystick is in remote control mode and the SWB gear is not in the parking position. Confirm that you are holding down the VRB safety switch during the operation. Finally, make sure that you are not charging through the manual charger or charging station.

Q: What should I do when the battery of the remote controller is low, and the vehicle body stops running?

A: Please replace the battery of the remote control immediately, after that, normal communication will recover soon.

Q: The charger led (green) is off

A: Please firstly check that whether the connection of the charger input interface is correct and firm; And then, check that whether there is AC input.

Q: The charger led (red) is off

Please firstly check that whether the connection of the charger input interface is correct and firm;

Whether the battery has not been used for a long time, and whether the battery over-discharges or is damaged;

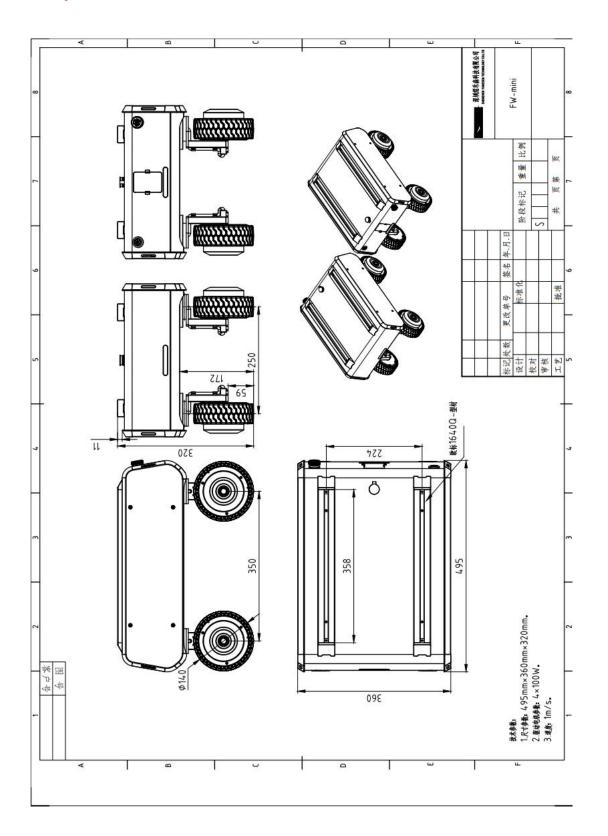
Re-plug the plug of input and output line with a time interval of larger than 10s to judge that whether the charger is being protected.

Q: FW-mini automatically switches to park mode after a period of no remote or command control

A: If the remote control and commands are normal, the FW-mini will automatically switch to parking mode by triggering the low power consumption mode. This function is used to reduce the motor current or prevent the motor from overloading when parking for a long time on level ground or slope surface to save power.



7. Specifications



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