

FIRST ROBOTICS PROJECT

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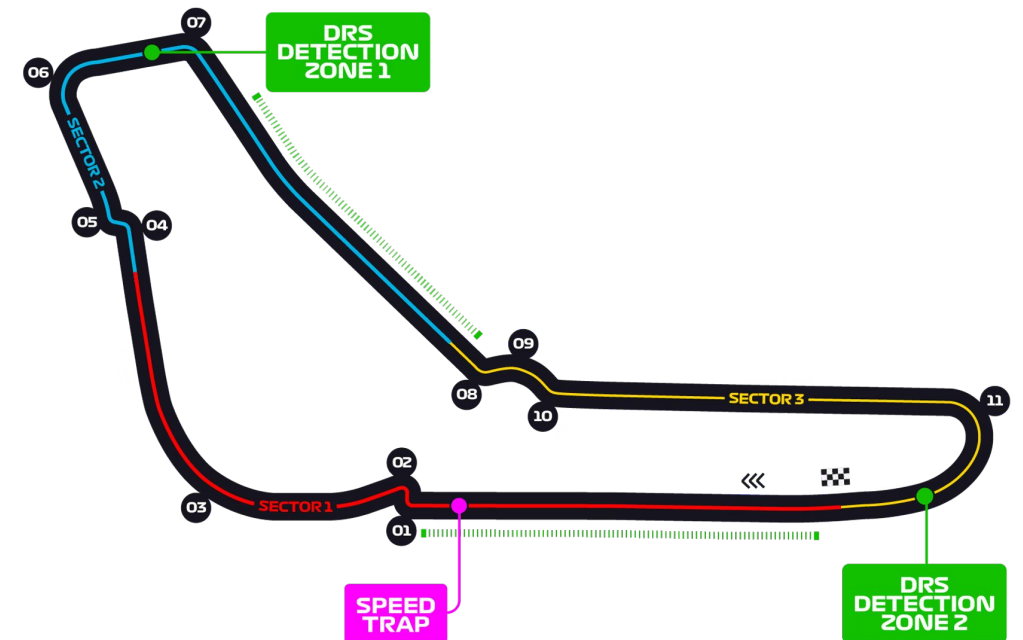
THE PROBLEM



The car



The circuit



DATA



Format: ROS Bag file

play the bag with the command:

rosbag play --clock project.bag

Data:

- /speedsteer vehicle data
- /swiftnav/front/gps_pose gps front data
- /swiftnav/rear/gps_pose gps rear data

VEHICLE



Vehicle data

rear wheels baseline: 130 cm

distance from front to rear wheels:
176.5 cm

steering factor: ~32 (check it with GPS)

/speedsteer topic:

y -> speed (km/h)

x -> steer at the steering wheel (deg)

The car





THE PROJECT (First Node)

- Create a ROS package called *first_project*
- Create a ROS node to compute the odometry from vehicle data:
 - write a node called *odometer* which
 - subscribe to:
 - vehicle status message:
 - type: *geometry_msgs/PointStamped*
 - topic name: */speedsteer*
 - publish:
 - odometry message:
 - type: *nav_msgs/Odometry*
 - topic name: */odom*
 - **tf odom-vehicle**



THE PROJECT (Second Node)

- Create a ROS node to compute the odometry from gps data:
 - write a node called **gps_odometer** which
 - subscribe to:
 - vehicle status message:
 - type: **sensor_msgs/NavSatFix**
 - topic name: **/swiftnav/front/gps_pose**
 - publish:
 - odometry message:
 - type: **nav_msgs/Odometry**
 - topic name: **/gps_odom**
 - **tf odom-gps**



THE PROJECT (Second Node)

- to convert gps data to odometry:
 - convert (latitude-longitude-altitude) to Cartesian ECEF
 - convert Cartesian ECEF to ENU
 - ENU is a relative position, so you need to specify the reference point
- gps_to_odom should have three parameters :
 - lat_r
 - lon_r
 - alt_r
- These parameters should be set in a launch file, for this project you can set manually to the first value from GPS:



THE PROJECT (Second Node)

- GPS gives you only position
- For the odometry you also want orientation
- In this scenario we work on a 2D plane, so we want the car heading
- After computing the car position in ENU you can use consecutive poses to estimate the robot heading (if you want you can also add a smoothing filter)



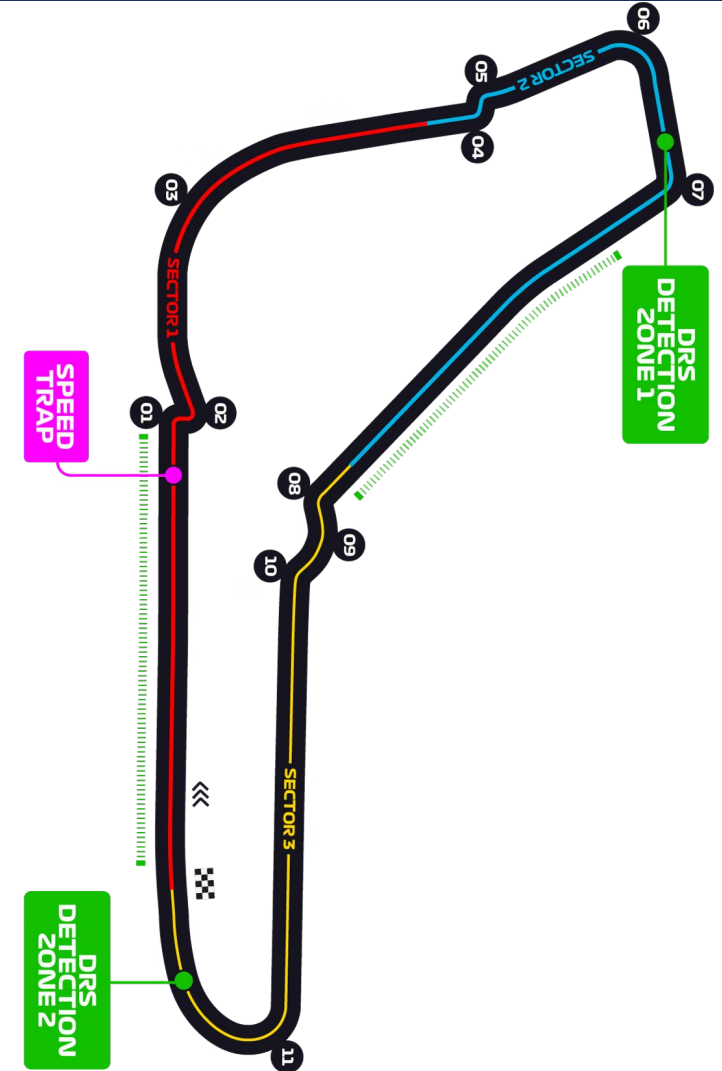
THE PROJECT (Third Node)

- Create a ROS node to compute the sector times and speed:
 - write a node called *sector_times* which
 - subscribe to:
 - vehicle status message and gps:
 - topic name: */speedsteer*
 - topic name: */swiftnav/front/gps_pose*
 - publish custom message:
 - sector_time message:
 - type: *first_project/secotor_times*
 - topic name: */sector_times*



THE PROJECT (Third Node)

- *first_project/secotor_times structure:*
 - *int: current_sector*
 - *float: current_sector_time*
 - *float: current_sector_mean_speed*





THE PROJECT (Launch file)

- The three nodes should all start from a single launch file called **launch.launch**
- The launch file should also open rviz loading a configuration file which shows the two tf's and the odometry topics, with a blue arrow for odom and red for gps_odom
- the only command to start the project should be:
`roslaunch first_project launch.launch`



Deadlines and requested files

- Send **only** a zip file
- Upload on Webeep
- Inside the archive:
 - info.txt file (details next slide)
 - folders of the nodes you created (with inside CmakeLists.txt, package.xml, etc...)
 - **do not send** the entire environment (with build and devel folders)
 - **do not send** the bag files



Deadlines and requested files

File txt must contain only the group names with this structure

codice persona;name;surname

You can add another file called readme.txt with additional info. I will not always look for it. But if something goes wrong I'll check for explanations.



Some more requests

Name the archive with your **codice persona**

Don't use absolute path

The project need to be written using c/c++



Deadlines and requested files

Deadline: 1 May (4 weeks)

Max 3 student for team

Questions:

- write to me via mail (simone.mentasti@polimi.it)
- do not write only to Prof. Matteucci

Formulas



Latitude-longitude to ECEF:

$$X = (N(\phi) + h) \cos \phi \cos \lambda$$

$$Y = (N(\phi) + h) \cos \phi \sin \lambda$$

$$Z = (N(\phi)(1 - e^2) + h) \sin \phi$$

Where Φ is latitude, λ is longitude, h is altitude, N is defined as

$$N(\phi) = \frac{a}{\sqrt{1 - e^2 \sin^2 \phi}},$$

and a is the semi major axis of the equatorial radius, b is the semi minor axis of the polar radius, and e^2 is defined as

$$e^2 = 1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2} \quad \text{where } a=6378137 \text{ m}$$
$$b=6356752 \text{ m}$$



Formulas

ECEF to ENU:

You need both robot position and reference position (lat_r , lon_r , alt_r) in ECEF Coordinates

Then you can apply the formula:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin \lambda_r & \cos \lambda_r & 0 \\ -\sin \phi_r \cos \lambda_r & -\sin \phi_r \sin \lambda_r & \cos \phi_r \\ \cos \phi_r \cos \lambda_r & \cos \phi_r \sin \lambda_r & \sin \phi_r \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_p - X_r \\ Y_p - Y_r \\ Z_p - Z_r \end{bmatrix}$$

Where Φ_r is latitude, λ_r is longitude of the reference point (n.b., you are using sin and cos, so make sure they are in radians/degree, depending on the library you use)