Motor Servoing

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Video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hvMPkrTU4mk

Github

http://github.com/johnmrushing/ece370servo

Writeup

The Raspberry Pi (SBC) was connected through its UART pins to the Feather's RX/TX pins. A script was written to read user input to the Pi and write relevant data to the Feather.

The Feather reads user input and converts this, absolutely, to a desired rotation count on the encoder wheel. The error between the desired angle and the actual angle is calculated and run through a PID controller, which then determines the velocity function fed to the motor controller.

As the error shrinks, the requisite motor velocity shrinks proportionally. If the motor overshoots the desired angle, the error flips and drives the motor in the opposite direction.

Test Setup

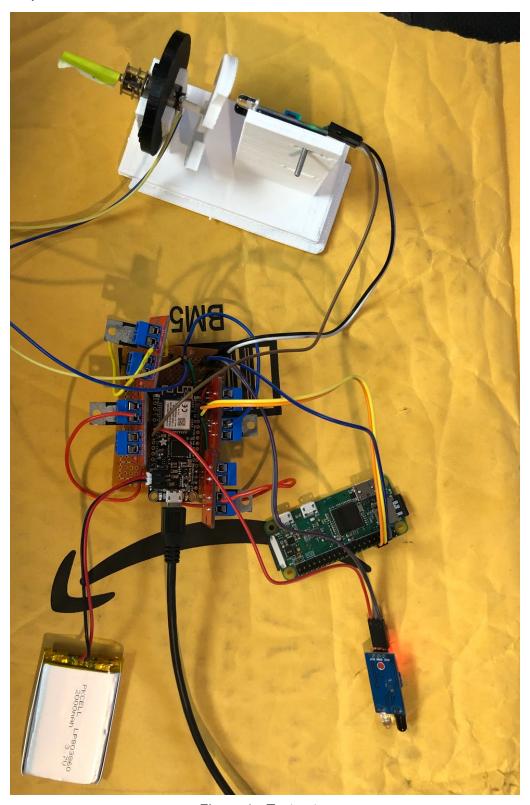


Figure 1 - Test setup

Schematic

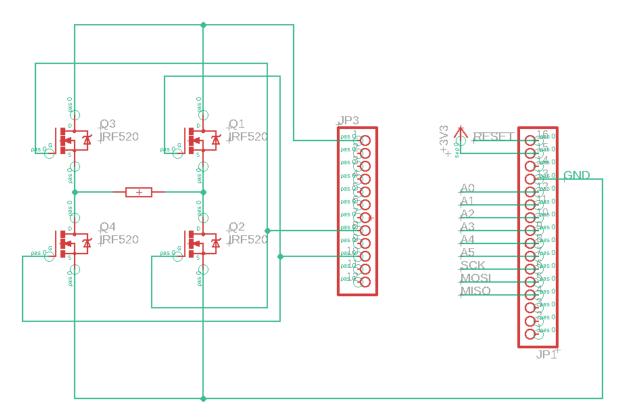


Figure 2 - Test setup schematic to H Bridge and Motor

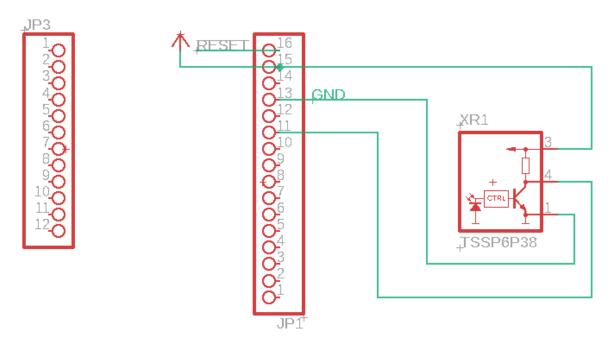


Figure 3 - Test setup schematic to IR Sensors

Pseudocode

```
begin Serial @9600bd
IR interrupt {
     increment number of ticks
     interpret this number as a present angle
}
loop forever {
     if serial.available
           read serial data
           parse as an float for desired angle
           pass to PID function
}
PID function {
     determine error given present angle and desired angle
     set velocity to go in that direction proportional to error
}
velocity function {
     interpret direction of travel
     interpret pwm dutycycle
     deactivate undesired direction
     activate desired direction at dutycycle
}
```