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**Interim Project Report**

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# Introduction

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## Background and Context

Describe the problem that you are tackling. Sections are entered using the *Heading 2* paragraph style.

## [Scope](http://www.cs.stir.ac.uk/~kjt/research/conformed.html) and Objectives

Define the scope and objectives of your project. Define the expected results and how others will gain from the work.

# State-of-The-Art

Discuss the work of others in the same area as your project. Show critical awareness of what others have done, and how you hope to extend or complement existing capabilities. Give references to other work by using cross-references like [2].

It is important to write a *critical* literature review that identifies gaps in current solutions and that clearly shows how the project was driven to address these gaps. This chapter should therefore feed into well-defined requirements for the project. Avoid a banal description of related work that does not carefully analyse its strengths and weaknesses.

# Approach

Explain how you are tackling the project. Describe any special software or hardware that you are using. Discuss the techniques you have chosen, and the developments you are undertaking. Demonstrate how you are performing the project as a computing professional (i.e. application of systematic techniques, awareness of relevant professional issues).

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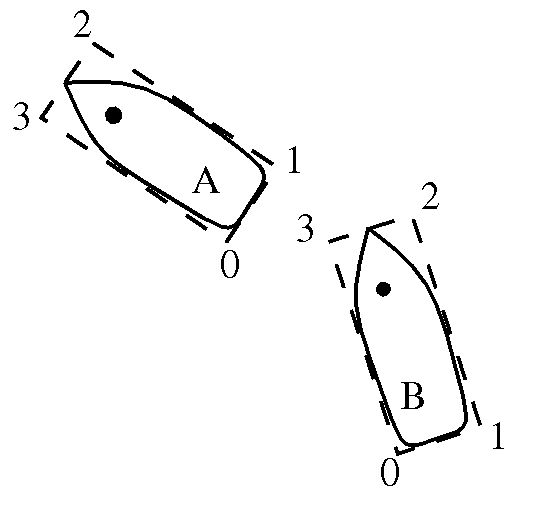
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1. Highly Technical Diagram

# Prototype

Describe the prototype you have implemented.

# Interim Plan

## Updated Project Plan

Give an updated plan for the remainder of the project. This should identify the remaining pieces of work and when you plan to complete them.

## Updated Project Deliverables

Update the remaining deliverables of the project. In particular, describe what you will demonstrate when the final report is due.

References

Use the *Reference* paragraph style to enter and cross-reference document references. Books [1], standards [2], reports [3], journal articles [4], conference papers [5], and web pages [6] are conventionally presented in slightly different ways.

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