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Introduction

Task: Develop an electric kart for training eMobility to bachelor electrical engineering students

- Motor control
- System control
- Communication







Combining motor control with steering wheel controls

- Two Permanent Magnet Synchronous wheel hub motors
- Low Voltage inverters and Li-Ion Battery
- C2000 Sensorless Field Oriented Control
- Arduino-C2000 communication via SPI







Hardware to drive two or four wheel hub motors.





Steering wheel has all controls and communication with motor controller

- Acceleration and breaking pedals
- Communication via SPI with C2000 motor control
- 7-bit acceleration or breaking value
- bit-8 is for choosing acceleration or braking
- Every 5ms pedal values send to motor control





System Overview





Steering wheel with controls







Block diagram arduino code





LCD control





Advantage CAN communication

- Provide a very good price/performance ratio.
- \bullet Data transmission is very quick, up to 1Mb/s.
- The data is very reliable and has a very sophsticated and robust error detection

Disadvantage CAN communication

- Network must be wired in topology that limits stubs(a length of transmission line that is connected at one end only) as much as possible.
- High cost for software development and maintenance.
- possibility of signal integrity issues.





Advantage SPI communication

- No start or stop bits, stream continuously
- Higher transfer rate compared to UART and I2C
- Dual communication way

Disadvantage SPI communication

- Only well structured data packages
- No direct communication between peripherals
- Separate CS lines to each peripheral







Block diagram SPI Communication





Sensorless Field Oriented Control of Wheel-hub motors

- Motor controller using cascaded current speed regulation using PI controllers
- Sensorless Field Oriented Control, no need for position sensor
- Permanent magnet synchronous machine wheel-hub motors







Simple Caspoc simulation to demonstrate the PI controllers







Caspoc simulation of the Field Oriented Control







C2000 implementation of the Field Oriented Control







Test setup to control the motors







Kart with steering wheel and motor controllers





- Wheel-hub motors with sensorless FOC.
- SPI Communication between motor controller and pedals.
- Low voltage, being safe during bachelor laboratory assignment.

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